

I hereby certify that this paper (along with any paper referred to as being attached or enclosed) is being deposit d with the United States Postal Service on the dat shown below with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to the: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231.

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF

Group Art Unit: 1616

ANDREAS WERNER SUPERSAXO ET AL

Examiner: S. Sharareh

APPLICATION NO: 09/306,006

FILED: MAY 6, 1999

FOR: USE OF NANODISPERSIONS IN

PHARMACEUTICAL END FORMULATIONS

Assistant Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

The Office Action of December 7, 1999, has a shortened statutory time set to expire on March 7, 2000. A one-month extension is hereby requested pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.136(a).

Please charge Deposit Account No. 03-1935 in the amount of \$110.00 for payment of the extension fee. Two additional copies of this paper are here enclosed. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 CFR § 1.17 which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Account No. 03-1935.

Ciba Specialty Chemicals Corporation **Patent Department** 540 White Plains Road P.O. Box 2005 Tarrytown, NY 10591-9005 (914) 785-7127

Date: APR 06 2000

Respectfully submitted,

Agent for Applicants

Reg. No. 31,635

00000071 031935

04/12/2000 TTRAN1